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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 11, line 3 with the following rewritten paragraph:

With any of the aforementioned exemplary embodiments, the short throw assembly 20,20',20" may include an inner surface 80 that is complementary to an outer surface 82 of the shift lever arm 16. For example, in the exemplary embodiments depicted in FIGs. 1-3, 5 and 6, the outer surface 82 of the shift lever arm 16 is curved and the inner surface 80 of the short throw assembly 20,20',20" has a similar curvature to mate with the curvature of the outer surface 82 of the shift lever arm 16. As such, when the short throw assembly 20,20',20" is coupled to the shift lever assembly 11, the short throw assembly 20,20',20" fits snugly against the shift lever arm 16 and therefore minimizes the space occupied by the short throw assembly 20,20',20". For example, in one embodiment, the inner surface 80 of the short throw assembly 20,20',20" is curved to substantially mimic and mate with the curvature of the outer surface of the shift lever arm of a Honda Civic, such as a 2002 Honda Civic. In another embodiment, the inner surface 80 of the short throw assembly 20,20',20" is curved to substantially mimic and mate with the curvature of the outer surface of the shift lever arm of a Honda Element.